

Keweenaw Bay Indian Community  
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**From the official home page of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community (KBI C) on the L'Anse Reservation:**

We are located on the beautiful shores of Lake Superior (Kitchigami), and we are the largest federally recognized "Indian Tribe" in the State of Michigan. KBI C is part of the Lake Superior Band of Chippewa Indians.

Treaty of 1854.

The Keweenaw Bay Tribe has an enrolled membership of 3,500 although many of our members reside off the reservation. Some 7,000 people reside within our reservation boundaries but only about 1,100 of these are Indian. The Town of Baraga has a population of approximately 1,100 of which 20% are Indian; and the Town of L'Anse has a population of approximately 2,500 of which 15% are Indian. The remaining on-reservation tribal members are scattered throughout the reservation, but in fact approximately 10 percent of the citizens of Baraga County are Indian.

The Keweenaw Bay Indian Community started the first Tribal Conservation District in Michigan in the Winter-Spring of 2002.

Location and treaty boundaries for 1842 area:  
(show map here)

Gaming enterprises owned by tribe:

Ojibwa Casino Resort

Located on M38, one mile west  
off US 41 in Baraga.

Ojibwa Casino

Located 6 miles east on M28 off  
US 41 in Harvey

**OTHER ITEMS TO COVER:**

Amount of allotted lands and trust lands?

Size of reservation

Council members

Natural Resources Staff.

Does this tribe pay per capita?

What are the major business ventures?

Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Community College (KBOCC) President is Debbie Parrish.

Natural Resources concerns:

Natural resource issues:

Notes about local agriculture:

- ☐ Tribe has tried to raise buffalo
- ☐ There are orchard sites in area due to Bay climate
- ☐ There was a 2501 application made by KBOCC in 2001 for American Indian Farming Operations
- ☐ There is much interest in the food coupon program when it was run in 2001.
- ☐ There is a potential for a small farm market to exist, if gardening were promoted here.
- ☐

Annual Powwow is held the last of July.